

Dukes County Commission (DCC)
Meeting Minutes
Friday, June 17, 2022
6:00 PM

REMOTE PARTICIPATION ONLY

Dukes County Commissioners Present: Christine Todd – Chair, R. Peter Wharton, Tristan Israel, Don Leopold, Keith Chatinover, Leon Brathwaite

Other County Officials Present: Martina Thornton – Dukes County Manager

Others Present: Aidan Pollard –MV Gazette

Christine called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM

Minutes – 5-25-2022

Tristan/Leon moved to approve minutes of 5-25-2022. So voted. Peter – yes, Keith – yes, Don- abstained, Tristan – yes, Leon – yes, Christine - yes. Motion carries.

County Manager's Annual Evaluation

Tristan summarized the results of the evaluations that he collected from the commissioners and from the department heads. There were seven categories: initiative, communication, job related expertise, cooperation, supervision, The evaluation by the commissioners was in general very positive. The three supervisors also had a chance to evaluate the Manager and most of the evaluations were also positive. All evaluators had a chance to comment on each category. There were not that many comments, and most of comments received were excellent and very positive only one comment was relative to a concern of time spent in the office. Overall, the evaluation is very favorable to the manager. Christine will sit down with the Manager to review the evaluations and any comments in person.

Tristan suggested to also possibly adopt a job description for County Manager as additional tool for future evaluations. There is a draft but it was never adopted.

Christine thanked Tristan for all his work on this.

Don/Keith moved to go into an executive session in accordance with the Open Meeting Law G.L. c.30A, Section 21.2. – To conduct strategy session in preparation for negotiation with nonunion personnel, and to reconvene to an open session thereafter. The commissioners will invite the manager into the executive session when they are ready to do so. So voted. Peter – yes, Keith – yes, Don- yes, Tristan – yes, Leon – yes, Christine - abstained. Motion carries.

The DCC went into executive session at 6:22pm.
The DCC reconvened in open session at 7:27pm

Christine/Tristan moved to approve the county manager contract pending further review by counsel and negotiation with the county manager. So voted. R. Peter Wharton – yes, Keith

Chatinover – yes, Tristan Israel – yes, Leon Brathwaite – yes, Don Leopold -yes, Christine Todd -yes. Motion carries.

Tristan/Leon moved to use labor counsel of choosing of the chair with the input of the commissioners to review the contract. So voted. R. Peter Wharton – yes, Keith Chatinover – yes, Tristan Israel – yes, Leon Brathwaite – yes, Don Leopold -yes, Christine Todd -yes. Motion carries

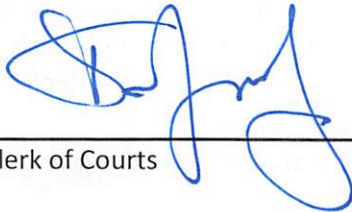
Leon/Tristan moved to carry over up to 8 weeks of vacation into the next contract term. So voted. R. Peter Wharton – yes, Keith Chatinover – yes, Tristan Israel – yes, Leon Brathwaite – yes, Don Leopold -yes, Christine Todd -yes. Motion carries

Public Comment - none

Calendar: County Advisory Board – June 24th at 3:30pm, and next regular meeting is on July 6, 2022 at 4:30PM

Leon/Tristan made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:32PM. So voted. R. Peter Wharton – yes, Chatinover – yes, Tristan Israel – yes, Leon Brathwaite – yes, Don Leopold -yes, Christine -yes. Motion carries. The Dukes County Commission meeting was adjourned at 7:32PM.

Certified by:



T. George Davis, Clerk of Courts

Documents presented at the meeting and part of the official record:

- Meeting Agenda
- Draft County manager contract